

Yale University

President's Public Service Fellowship

Proposal for Fellowship Placement Summer 2024

Organization information

<i>Name of organization</i>	Haven's Harvest
<i>Full street address</i>	269 Peck St, New Haven , CT 06513
<i>Website or link to social media page</i>	www.havensharvest.org

PPSF Fellow's direct supervisor

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What is the best way for prospective student applicants to contact you with questions about your proposal?

- Send an e-mail with questions

or

- Send an e-mail to set up a 15-meeting phone call to discuss

Placement dates (8-11 weeks between Tuesday, May 28, 2024 through Friday, August 9, 2024)

Dates are flexible

Are placement dates flexible? Are there any dates on which your Fellow must work?

We expect to hold a summer supper series in 2024. This will be three dates tbd.

We expect that the Fellow will be in attendance for at least 2 of them.

Proposed work schedule (*work week should equal (and not exceed) 37.5 hours per week*)

M-F 9-4:30pm- and there is flexibility because of occasional evening or weekend events.

If a hybrid schedule is offered at your site, please describe:

Some work can be done remotely.

Q18. Organization description

Our mission is to build community and reduce food waste, one food rescue at a time. We share food with nonprofits in the Greater New Haven area. We are a volunteer-driven, hyper-local operation. We believe recovered food is a community resource. Our partners- schools, daycare centers, senior centers, subsidized housing sites, faith communities, health clinics, methadone clinics, mutual aid sites and other nonprofits- for example, Emerge CT and New Haven Pride Center.

Write a 1-2 sentence summary of the work that the Fellow would be conducting.

The Fellow would be in a community outreach role. The time would be split in the warehouse to meet partners and volunteers to accept and share food, using social media, using our app for data collection and management, in the community at events or surveying partners to update information.

We share food with non-traditional food sharing sites- daycare centers, schools, health clinics, methadone clinics, subsidized housing sites.

Write a more complete description of the specific project you propose and list the duties/outcomes expected of the Fellow.

Warehouse space- This is our space to welcome visitors and share food. The outcome is to have folks leave understanding that they are a part of a larger movement to transform the way we consider excess or leftover food. We can make a difference for climate change and our neighbors.

The data collection is important to keep up-to-date. The data is what we use to tell our story in numbers of food donors, food recipient sites, carbon prevented, active volunteers and weight of food recovered. We have two surveys that need

automated. Tech support to extract data and to aggregate results would be helpful.

Tabling at events and/or visiting partners for the outreach piece of the Fellowship is the most fun, engaging and where we learn a lot. We want to be community responsive. This necessitates taking time to get feedback and learn best how to collaborate with each partner.

We are open to feedback and any organizational support that the Fellow may notice could be useful. The outcome we expect is that the Fellow has learned about food recovery via the lens of Haven's Harvest work. That our organization is stronger for the work done- data collection, surveying of partners, and potentially expansion of partners.

List any specific skills/experience required for the project

- Eagerness for transformational work
- Enthusiasm for New Haven
- An interest in food systems
- Good communication skills
- Reliability

Additional requirements

A car is useful- but not required. Mileage would be reimbursed at the federal reimbursement rate. Mileage would be calculated from warehouse to partner site or event. Occasional weekend hours will be necessary to cover tabling at events.

Briefly describe any work that Yale PPSF Fellows and/or Yale students have done with your organization.

We hosted two Yale students in summer of 2023 through 2 different programs. They gathered data, created social media posts and reels. They cleaned up our google drive. They gave presentations to community groups, helped support the Summer Supper Series and updated our website. Basically, they joined our team- and increased our capacity significantly- as they noticed some of the missing pieces that needed tending. Their attitude and commitment gave the staff and Board a huge boost of energy to continue this work. We gladly would welcome another Fellow to join us in summer of 2024.